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BE it Ordained by the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, That all and every person, of what degree or quality soever, that hath lived, or shall live within the Kings

Quarters, or beene ayding, assisting, or adhering unto the Forces raised against the Parliament, and hath, or shall come to inhabite or reside under the Power and Protection of the Parliament, shall sweare upon the Holy Evangelist in manner following,

I A. B. *Doe sweare from my heart, that I will not directly nor indirectly adhere unto, or willingly assist the King in this Warre, or in this Cause against the Parliament; nor any Forces raised without the consent of the two Houses of Parliament in this Cause or War. And I doe likewise sweare, that my comming and submitting my selfe under the Power and Protection of the Parliament, is without any manner of Designe whatsoever, to the prejudice of the proceedings of the two Houses of this present Parliament,*

and

and without the direction, privity, or advice of the King, or any of his Counsell, or Officers, other then what I have now made knowne. So help me God and the Contents of this Booke.

And be it further Ordained by the Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners for keeping of the Great Seal of *England*, for the time being, shall have power, and are hereby authorized to tender and administer the said Oath unto any Peere, or Wife, or Widdow of any Peere, so comming to inhabite as aboveſaid. And it shall be lawfull to, and for the Committee of the House of Commons for Examination, the Committee for the *Militia* in *London*, and all Committees in Parliament in the severall Counties and Cities of the Kingdome

dome, to tender and administer the said Oath unto every other person so comming to inhabite as aboveſaid. And if any person (not being a Member of, or Assistant unto either of the Houses of the Parliament) shall refuse or neglect to take the said Oath, so duely tendered unto him or her, as aboveſaid, the said Commissioners and Committees respectively, shall, and may commit the same person to some prison, there to remaine without Baile or Mainprize, untill he shall conforme thereunto.

FINIS.

Die Sabbathi, 5. Aprill. 1645.

ORdered by the Lords in Parliament assembled, that this Ordinance bee forthwith printed and publiſhed.

John Brown Cler. Parl.

Die Sabbathi, 3. April 1647.

Ordered by the Lords in Parliament assembled, that this Ordinance be forthwith printed and published.

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